I'm Olivia Fleishans and I will be a sophomore during the 2024-25 school year! I have been involved in both acting and tech roles in the Dexter Drama Club (Little Mermaid as ensemble, Footloose as a Hair Crew member, Murder on the Orient Express as a Costumes Stage One member, Frozen as Young Elsa and ensemble, Pippin as ensemble and Costumes Stage One, and several Improv shows as part of the Drama Club.) I have also been a member of the International Thespian Society since I started in Dexter Drama Club in 7th grade!.

I have several qualities that would make me a good officer. I am a very positive and outgoing person. I love to help, especially at theater! I am always willing to set up anything or do anything, big or small that needs to be done. Putting on such wonderful shows can be a stressful experience and I feel like I can help create a positive space where everyone feels welcome. I can help people who are new or are middle schoolers get into Drama. I was a middle schooler in the Drama Club and I understand what it is like to be new and younger and smaller than everyone else. Therefore, I know how important it is to support the newer people. I have also been in both the technical aspects and the acting aspects of the drama club and can understand what both sides are going through.

I have been a member of the thespian society since I was in 7th grade and I love going to thespian festival! It has been one of my favorite parts about being in Dexter Drama! During festival, I went to a variety of different workshops and events, both tech and acting ones. I understand a lot about the different types of thespys, as I have read all of the information about all of them on the thespian website and I went to several while at thespian festival. I would try to be very approachable and easy to ask questions to. The society concept fascinates me, tons of people who all share the same interest coming together for such a fun weekend! It was refreshing to be able to be around a bunch of theater kids with people from your troupe. I want to be thespian liaison to encourage others to attend and have a great experience! It was also great to talk to representatives from different colleges and see all of the scholarships available. After attending the thespian festival, I am seriously considering a career in theater.

I would work to learn everything about thespian liaison work, like how to work the point sheet, the handbook, and the binder as quickly as I can. I would try to increase the member numbers for thespian by telling anyone who would be interested about it. I would love to help bridge the gap between the thespian society and the drama club!

As for planning and organizing the festival experience, I just happen to live with the parent booster thespian volunteer, so it would be easy to communicate with the boosters about planning and organizing the event. I have been to festival and I think that I can help with the paperwork and necessary planning that needs to be done before festival.

I understand what a great experience Thespian festival is and if elected I would try to make it the absolute best experience because we only have 4 years to do thespian festival. I would be an approachable and friendly person at the thespian table during strike. My main goal as a thespian liaison would be to recruit new members including freshmen and people who love theater and are new to the club. Thank you for taking the time to read my letter!!!!!!!!

- Olivia Fleishans